Acts made the 5th Assembly, 5th Sessions.

Beginning the 25th of *March*, 1697. and ending the 22th day of *April* following, *Anno Regni Regis* Gulielmi *Tertij, Anglie, Scotie, Francie & Hibernie, Nono*

An ACT *for the raising the Sum of Three and Twenty Hundred Pounds to Enable his Excellency to secure the Fronteers at* Albany, *and for recruiting his Majesties three Companies posted there, with a sufficient Number to compleat Three Hundred effective Men, to remain there from the first of* May *next, untill the first of* May *then next following, and to free the Inhabitants during the said Time, from Detachments.*

The Representatives convened in General Assembly, in humble ackno wledgment of the great & prudent Care that his Excellency hath taken for the Security of the Fronteers of this Province at *Albany*, as well as that his Excellency may be the better enabled to secure the said Fronteers, by recruiting his Majesty's three Companies posted there, with a sufficient Number to compleat the said Companys, three Hundred effective Men, and for their encouragement to remain there from the first day of *May* next to the first day of *May* then next following, also during the said Time, to ease the Inhabitants of the said Province from any further Supplyes in Assembly, for that Service, as well as to free them from Detachments, unless in the case of inevitable Necessity, Do humbly pray that it may be Enacted, *And be it therefore Enacted by his Excellency the Governour and Council, and Representatives convened in General Assembly, and by the Authority of the same,* That the Sum of Three and Twenty Hundred Pounds current Money of this Province be laid, assessed, levyed and raised

upon all and every the the Inhabitants, Reſidents, Sojourners and Freeholders of and in this Province, to be imployed by his Excellency in manner and form following, That is to ſay, The Sum of eighteen Hundred Pounds, part of the ſaid Sum of three and twenty Hundred Pounds, for the recruiting of his Majeſties ſaid three Companys poſted at *Albany* for the Security of the Fronteers of this Province there, with a ſufficient Number to compleat the ſaid 3 Companys three hundred effective Men, and for their encouragement to remain there from the aforeſaid firſt Day of *May* next, to the firſt Day of *May* then next following, as alſo during the ſaid time to eaſe the Inhabitants of the ſaid Province from any further Supplyes in Aſſembly for that Service, as well as to free them from Detachments (unleſs in the caſe of inevitable neceſſity) And alſo the Sum of five Hundred Pounds, the reſidue of the aforeſaid Sum of 230 *l.* current Money aforeſaid, to be lodged at *Albany* and diſtributed amongſt ſuch as ſhall be imployed to range the Woods, for diſcovering the motion of the Enemy, as occaſion, and to no other Uſe, Intent or purpoſe whatſoever; which Sum of 230 *l.* current Money aforeſaid, ſhall be raiſed, aſſeſſed, levyed and paid unto his Majeſties Collector and Receiver General, for the time being, at the City of New-York, in two equal Payments, that is to ſay, the one moiety or half part thereof, at or before the 29th Day of *September* next, and the other moiety or equal half part thereof, at or before the 25th Day of *March* then next following, in ſuch manner, and according to the ſeveral and reſpective Quota's and Proportions following, that is to ſay,

For the City and County of *New-York*, the Sum of ſeven hundred and ſeven Pounds five Shillings, current Money aforeſaid.

For the County of *Suffolk*, the Sum of four hundred and fourteen Pounds, current Money aforeſaid.

For *Kings County*, the Sum of three hundred ſeventy two Pounds twelve Shillings, current Money aforeſaid.

For *Queens County*, the Sum of three hundred ſeventy one Pounds nine Shillings, current Money aforeſaid.

For the County of *Ulſter* and *Dutches*, the Sum of one hundred ninety ſeven Pounds ſixteen Shillings, current Money aforeſaid.

For the County of *Weſtcheſter*, the Sum of one hundred thirty three Pounds eight Shillings, current Money aforeſaid.

For the County of *Richmond*, the Sum of eighty Pounds ten Shillings, current Money aforeſaid.

For the County of *Orange*, the Sum of twenty three Pounds, current Money aforeſaid.

And for the due and better aſſeſſing, raiſing, levying and paying the aforeſaid Sum of 230 *l.* current Money aforeſaid, *Be it therefore further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of New-York, the Juſtices of the Peace, the Aſſeſſors and Collectors for the time being, of all and every of the reſpective Cities and Counties, Towns and Mannors, Liberties and Juriſdictions within this Province, are hereby required, impowered and authorized to ſummons and aſſes, collect and pay the ſeveral Sums of Money herein before-mentioned, according to the Quota's and Proportions before expreſſed, in ſuch ways and means, and

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according to ſuch rule, manner and direction, and under ſuch Pains and Penalties as are contained, enjoyned, preſcribed, directed and mentioned in one Act of General Aſſembly, paſſed in the eighth Year of his Majeſties Reign, entitu'led, *An Act for the raiſing of one Hundred Men, to be liſted in his Majeſties three Companys poſted at Albany for the ſecurity of the Frontiers, and for the raiſing of Twelve Hundred Pounds for the encouraging ſuch as ſhall liſt themſelves in the ſaid Companys, and for the defraying of contingent Charges at the ſaid Frontiers.* And all and every Article, Rule, Clauſe, Pains and Penalties expreſſed and mentioned in the aforeſaid Act for and concerning the ſummoning, aſſeſſing, collecting and paying of Money, or for refuſing and neglecting the ſeveral and reſpective Duties required therein, ſhall be, abide, continue and remain in full force and effect to all intents and purpoſes, and in as full and ample manner, for the due execution of this Act, until the aforeſaid Sum of Three and Twenty Hundred Pounds, current Money aforeſaid, be duly, fully and compleatly aſſeſſed, collected and paid, as above directed, as fully, and in like manner as if the ſame were particularly and at large recited and ſet down in the Body of this Act, any thing herein to the contrary hereof in any ways notwithſtanding. And the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of *New-York*, and all and every of the Juſtices, Aſſeſſors and Collectors of the reſpective Cities and Counties aforeſaid, and all others concerned herein, are hereby Required and Commanded to take ſtrict Notice hereof accordingly.

An Act for the Confirming and Continuing two Acts

paſſed in the Fifth and Seventh Years of his Majeſties Reign, for the eſtabliſhing Courts of Judicature, &c. for one year longer after the time mentioned in the ſaid Acts expire by their Limitation.

BE it Enacted by his Excellency the Governour and Council, and Repreſentatives convened in General Aſſembly, and it is hereby Enacted by the Authority of the ſame, That an Act of Aſſembly, paſſed in the 7th year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lord, *WILLIAM* the Third, King of *England, &c.* entituled, *An Act for confirming and continuing an Act for eſtabliſhing Courts of Judicature, for the eaſe and benefit of each reſpective City, Town and County within this Province*, ſhall be, abide, continue and remain in full force and effect to all intents and purpoſes whatſoever; and all and every the Articles, Rules and Clauſes mentioned in the ſaid Act, as well as all and every the Articles, Rules and Clauſes recited and mentioned in another Act of Aſſembly made in the fifth year of the Reign of our ſaid Soveraign Lord the King that now is, entituled, *An Act for eſtabliſhing Courts of Judicature for the eaſe and benefit of each reſpective City, Town and County within this Province*, for and during the ſpace and term of one whole year next and after the expiration of the time limitted in the aforeſaid Act, and no longer, in as full and ample manner as if all and every the aforeſaid Rules, Articles and Clauſes were recited, expreſſed and mentioned in this Act, any thing therein to the contrary hereof in any ways notwithſtanding.

An Act for the raiſing a yearly Rate to pay the reſpective Collectors in each reſpective City and County in this Province, for their paines in collecting and paying the Publick Rates and Taxes.

WHereas the reſpective Cities and Counties within this Province have neglected to make annual Rate for the ſatisfying the Collectors for their Charge and Trouble in the collecting and paying the Publick Taxes raiſed in their reſpective Cities and Counties, to the great hurt and loſs of thoſe Collectors that have been imployed in the ſaid Service, as well as the great delay in the paying of the ſaid Taxes unto his Majeſties Collector and Receiver General. To the end therefore that the ſame may be removed, *Be it Enacted by his Excellency the Governour and Council, and Repreſentatives convened in General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame,* That there ſhall be laid and aſſeſſed annually, and once every year, a certain Rate in each reſpective City and County within the ſaid Province, for the paying and ſatisfying the reſpective Collectors of the Publick Taxes within their reſpective Limits and Precincts in their reſpective Counties, according to ſuch Agreement as the reſpective Juſtices of the reſpective Cities and Counties within this Province, ſhall make with the ſeveral Collectors in their reſpective Cities and Counties aforeſaid, provided the ſame ſhall not exceed *Nine Pence per Pound*, unleſs *Queens County*, who may raiſe a rate for the ſatisfying the Arrears due to their reſpective Collectors within the ſaid County.

An Act to enable the City and County of Albany *to Defray their Neceſſary Charge.*

WHereas there was an Act of General Aſſembly made in the ſeventh Year of his Majeſties Reign, entituled, *An Act to enable the City and County of* Albany *to defray their neceſſary Charge for two years from the Publication thereof:* Which Act doth terminate, by its own Limitation, upon the firſt day of *July* next. And the Repreſentatives of the ſaid City and County of *Albany* humbly praying, That the ſaid Act may be renewed and continued for two years longer after the expiration of the ſaid Act, *Be it therefore Enacted by his Excellency the Governour and Council, and Repreſentatives convened in General Aſſembly, and it is hereby Enacted by the Authority of the ſame,* That the Impoſition or Rate of *Two per Cent.* ſhall be raiſed and levyed upon all *Indian Goods* that are brought up to that City and County of *Albany* and there ſold and conſumed. And alſo, that the Impoſt of *Three Pence* be raiſed and levyed upon each Gallon of Rum that is ſold and conſumed within that City and County. And for the due and orderly collecting of the reſpective Impoſts and Rates, the Treaſurer of the ſaid City for the time being, or any appointed by him, and the Mayor of the ſaid City, and

under the publick Seal of the ſaid City, are hereby impowered and authoriz-ed to appoint, conſtitute and eſtabliſh a Collector or Receiver of the *Rates* and Impoſts aforeſaid, who ſhall have Power to receive the ſame, and to enter in a fair *Book*, kept for that purpoſe, all ſuch Sum and Sums of Money as ſhall be ſo entered and received for the reſpective Duties aforeſaid, the ſaid Collector or *Receiver* appointing certain convenient Times and Places for the keeping of the Office, as ſhall be directed by the Court of Mayor and Aldermen, and Aſſiſtants of the ſaid City. And all Perſons that Trade, and bring up to the ſaid City and County the afore-mentioned *Indian Goods* and *Rum*, are hereby required to make a Report of the Quantity and Value of ſuch Goods and Rum they ſo bring up and ſell in the City and County aforeſaid, and pay the Duties and Impoſts hereby eſtabliſhed, without being at any further charge than the ſaid Duty. And in default hereof it ſhall be lawfull for the Mayor, Treaſurer, or any other Officer hereby authorized, to iſſue out his or their Warrant, under his or their Hand and Seal, for the ſeizing all ſuch Goods & Rum as ſhall be imbezeled, and not pay the Duties aforeſaid, one third to the Informer, one third to the ſaid City and County of *Albany*, and one third to his Excellency the Governour or Commander in chief for the time being. *Provided*, That all the Sum and Sums of Money that are hereby received, ſhall be only appropriated and applyed to the defraying of the neceſſary Charge of the City and County aforeſaid. And that the Treaſurer, Collector or Receiver, for the time being, ſhall not pay any of the Money received as aforeſaid, but by Warrant from the Mayor of the ſaid City, and approved by the Juſtices of the Peace of the ſaid County. *Provided*, That this Act ſhall only remain in force for the ſpace of two years, and no longer, and to commence upon the expiration of the former Act, any thing contained herein to the contrary hereof notwithſtanding.

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